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SUBJECT: NORTHROP RELATIONS WITH SAUDI ARABIA

REF: CAIRO'S 5516

1. AFTER BARGER MESSAGE WAS CONVEYED TO NORTHROP OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL WILLENS, LATTER INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT IN EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH CHURCH SUBCOMMITTEE AFTERNOON OF JUNE 3, SUBCOMMITTEE REFUSED NORTHROP'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF ERNST AND ERNST AUDITORS REPORT BUT DID AGREE NOT TO FORCE DISCLOSURE OF NAMES OF TWO SAUDI GENERALS. WILLENS SAID SUBCOMMITTEE AGREED THAT THERE WAS NO PROOF THAT KHASHOGGI HAD PASSED ON PAYMENTS TO TWO GENERALS AND THAT FACTS SHOULD BE CONVEYED TO SAUDIS TO ENABLE THEM MAKE INVESTIGATION.

2. AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION TOOK PLACE, HOWEVER, WILLENS TOLD US THAT HE HAD HEARD REPORTS THAT SENATOR CLARK OF IOWA, WHO ATTENDED, HAD DISCLOSED ESSENTIAL FACTS OF 450,000 DOLS PAYMENT BY KHASHOGGI FOR TWO SAUDI GENERALS

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TO HEARST PAPERS AND WILLENS EXPECTS WIDESPREAD PRESS

TREATMENT ON JUNE 4. UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES, WILLENS DOES NOT BELIEVE IT FEASIBLE TO ASK SUBCOMMITTEE FOR DEFERRAL OF HEARINGS.

3. EMBASSY CAIRO SHOULD PASS FOREGOING TO BARGER FOR HIS INFORMATION. INGERSOLL

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